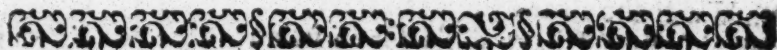




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Blessed are the Dead which die in the Lord? Rev. xiv. 13.



H Y M N I.

I.

A H, -Sister in JESUS adieu!
 Thy Warfare is happily o'er ;
 Thy Spirit hath fought its Way thro',
 And pitch'd on the heavenly Shore :
 Thy Course upon Earth is all run,
 The Days of thy Mourning are past,
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 For ever and ever shall last.

II.

O blessed Estate of the Dead,
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 From Trouble and Misery freed,
 And sure of their endless Reward :
 By Sorrow no longer oppress'd,
 When join'd to the Spirits above,
 With JESUS in Glory they rest,
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III.

O when will the Saviour extend
 The Arms of his Mercy to me !
 The Days of my Pilgrimage end,
 My Soul from its Prison set free ?
 When will the dear Moment arrive,
 Which long I have pin'd for in vain :
 And still I wou'd die to revive,
 And suffer with JESUS to reign.

IV.

Ah ! give me to bow my faint Head,
 My sorrowful Soul to resign,
 From Pain everlastingly freed,
 To sink on the Bolom Divine ;
 My Saviour, why dost thou delay
 To call a poor Wanderer home ?
 Come quickly, and bear me away ;
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H Y M N II.

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A Soul out of Prison releas'd,
And freed from its bodily Chain :
With Songs let us follow his Flight,
And mount with his Spirit above,
Escap'd to the Mansions of Light,
And lodg'd in the Eden of Love.

II.

Our Brother the Haven hath gain'd,
Out-flying the Tempest and Wind,
His Rest He hath sooner obtain'd,
And left his Companions behind ;
Still toss'd on a Sea of Distress,
Hard toiling to make the Blest Shore,
Where all is Assurance and Peace,
And Sorrow and Sin are no more.

III.

There all the Ship's Company meet,
Who sail'd with the Saviour beneath,
With Shouting each other they greet,
And triumph o'er Trouble and Death :
The Voyage of Life's at an End,
The mortal Affliction is past,
The Age that in Heaven they spend
For ever and ever shall last.

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II.

What Fulness of Rapture is there,
 While Jesus his Glory displays,
 And purples the Heavenly Air,
 And scatters the Odours of Grace !
 He looks—and his Servants in Light,
 The Blessing ineffable meet !
 He smiles—and they faint at the Sight,
 And fall overwhelm'd at his Feet !

III.

How happy the Angels that fall,
 Transported at Jesus's Name !
 The Saints, whom He soonest shall call
 To share in the Feast of the Lamb !
 No longer imprison'd in Clay,
 Who next from his Dungeon shall fly,
 Who first shall be summon'd away ?
 My Merciful God—is it I !

IV.

O Jesus, if this is thy Will
 That suddenly I should depart,
 Thy Council of Mercy reveal,
 And whisper the Call to my Heart :
 O give me a Signal to know
 If soon Thou wouldst have me remove,
 And leave the dull Body below,
 And fly to the Regions of Love.

V.

Thou know'st in the Spirit of Prayer
 I groan for a speedy Release,
 And long I have pin'd to be there
 Where Sorrow and Misery cease :
 Where all the Temptation is past,
 And Loss and Affliction is o'er,
 And Anguish is ended at last,
 And Trouble and Death are no more.

VI. Come

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VI.

Come then to my Rescue (I pray
For this, and for nothing beside)
Make ready, and bear me away,
Thy weary disconsolate Bride :
The Days of my Mourning and Pain
Cut short, and in Pity set free,
And give me to rest, and to reign
For ever, and ever in Thee.

H Y M N IV.

(For One just departing.)

I.

O Sister in JESUS, arise,
And joyful his Summons obey ;
He beckons thee up to the Skies,
In Mercy he calls thee away :
His Pity hath sign'd thy Release,
Return to thy Native Abode,
Make haste to the Mansions of Bliss,
And fly to the Bosom of GOD.

II.

To waft from the Valley of Tears,
To bear thee triumphantly home,
The Chariot of ISRAEL appears,
The Convoy of Angels is come !
With Envy we let thee depart,
Thy happier Spirit resign ;
The Purchase of JESUS thou art,
And GOD is eternally thine.

III.

Go then to thy Glorious Estate,
No longer our Partner in Woe,
No longer oppress'd with our Weight,
To JESUS in Paradise go :

Redeem'd from a World of Distress
 Thou hear'st the acceptable Word,
 He bids thee depart in his Peace,
 And die for the Sight of thy Lord.

IV.

Escape to a Country above,
 Where only Enjoyment is found,
 And Springs of Extatical Love,
 And Rivers of Pleasure abound ;
 No dreadful Alarums of War,
 No Famine, or Sorrows, or Pains,
 No Sound of the Trumpet is there,
 But JESUS eternally reigns.

V.

He reigns in the Holiest Place,
 He dwells in the Midst of his own,
 And fully discovers his Face,
 And fills them with Raptures unknown ;
 With Bliss inexpressibly great
 Their Glorified Spirits o'erflow——
 Go, Sister, and share their Estate,
 To JESUS in Paradise go.

VI.

O Saviour, her Spirit receive,
 Which into thy Hands we resign,
 And Us from our Sorrows retrieve,
 And Us to our Company join :
 Our Number and Glory compleat,
 With all that are landed before,
 With Thee let us joyfully meet,
 To part and to suffer no more.

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Hymn 48.

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(On Sight of a Corpse.)

I.

A H lovely Appearance of Death! *No sight upon*
No Sight upon Earth is so fair; *earth in my eyes*
Not all the gay Pageants that breathe *is half so lovely*
Can with a dead Body compare:
With solemn Delight I survey
The Corpse when the Spirit is fled,
In love with the beautiful Clay,
And longing to lie in its stead. *Sep. 19-1739*

II.

How blest is our Brother, bereft
Of all that could burthen his Mind,
How easy the Soul that hath left
This wearisom Body behind!
Of Evil incapable Thou,
Whose Relicks with Envy I see,
No longer in Misery now,
No longer a Sinner like me.

III.

This Earth is affected no more
With Sickness, or shaken with Pain,
The War in the Members is o'er,
And never shall vex him again:
No Anger henceforward, or Shame,
Shall redden this innocent Clay,
Extinct is the Animal Flame,
And Passion is vanish'd away.

IV.

The languishing Head is at rest,
Its Thinking and Aching are o'er,
The quiet immoveable Breast
Is heav'd by Affliction no more:

The

The Heart is no longer the Seat
Of Trouble and torturing Pain,
It ceases to flutter and beat,
It never shall flutter again.

V.

The Lids He so seldom could close,
By Sorrow forbidden to sleep,
Seal'd up in Eternal Repose,
Have strangely forgotten to weep :
The Fountains can yield no Supplies,
These Hollows from Water are free,
The Tears are all wip'd from these Eyes,
And Evil they never shall see.

VI.

To mourn, and to suffer, is mine,
While bound in a Prison I breathe,
And still for Deliverance pine,
And press to the Issues of Death:
What now with my Tears I bedew,
O might I this Moment become,
My Spirit created a-new,
My Flesh be consign'd to the Tomb.

H Y M N VI.

I.

'T IS finish'd ! 'tis done !
The Spirit is fled,
The Pris'ner is gone,
The CHRISTIAN is dead !
The CHRISTIAN is Living
In JESUS his Love,
And gladly receiving
A Kingdom above.

II.

All Honour and Praise
Are JESUS's Due ;
Supported by Grace,
He fought his Way thro' ;

Triumphantly

Triumphantly glorious
Thro' JESUS's Zeal,
And more than victorious
O'er Sin, Death, and Hell.

III.

Then let us record
The conquering Name,
Our Captain and Lord
With Shoutings proclaim :
Who trust in his Passion
And follow our Head,
To certain Salvation
We all shall be led.

IV.

O JESUS, lead on
Thy Militant Care,
And give us the Crown
Of Righteousness there ;
Where dazled with Glory
The Seraphim gaze,
Or prostrate adore Thee
In Silence of Praise.

V.

Come, Lord, and display
Thy Sign in the Sky,
And bear us away
To Mansions on high ;
The Kingdom be given,
The Purchase Divine,
And crown us in Heaven
Eternally thine.

H Y M N VII.

I.

O When shall we sweetly remove !
O when shall we enter our Rest !
Return to the SION above,
The Mother of Spirits distressed !

That

That City of God, the great King,
 Where Sorrow and Death are no more,
 But Saints our IMMANUEL sing,
 And Cherub and Seraph adore.

II.

Not all the Archangels can tell
 The Joys of that Holiest Place,
 Where JESUS is pleas'd to reveal
 The Light of his Heavenly Face ;
 Where caught in the Rapturous Flame
 The *Sight Beatific* they prove,
 And walk in the Light of the Lamb,
 And bask in the Beams of his Love.

III.

Who then upon Earth can conceive
 The Bliss that in Heaven they share ;
 Who then the dark World would not leave,
 And chearfully die to be there ?
 O Saviour, regard our Complaints,
 Array'd in thy Majesty come,
 Fulfil the Desires of thy Saints,
 And suddenly gather us Home.

IV.

Thou know'st in the Spirit of Prayer
 We groan thy Appearing to see,
 Resign'd to the Burden we bear,
 But longing to triumph with Thee.
 'Tis good at thy Word to be here,
 'Tis better in Thee to be gone,
 And see Thee in Glory appear,
 And rise to a Share of thy Throne.

V.

To mourn for thy Coming is sweet,
 To weep at thy longer Delay ;
 But Thou whom we hasten to meet
 Shall chase all our Sorrows away :
 The Tears shall be wip'd from our Eyes
 When Thee we behold in the Cloud,
 And eccho the Joys of the Skies,
 And shout to the Trumpet of God.

VI. Come

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VI.

Come then to thy languishing Bride,
Who went't to prepare us a Place,
Receive us with Thee to abide,
And rest in thy Mercy's Embrace.
Our Heaven of Heavens be this
Thy Fulness of Mercy to prove,
Implung'd in the Glorious Abyfs,
And lost in the Ocean of Love.

H Y M N VIII.

I.

AW A Y with our Sorrow and Fear !
We soon shall recover our Home ;
The City of Saints shall appear,
The Day of Eternity come :
From Earth we shall quickly remove,
And mount to our native Abodes,
The House of our Father above,
The Palace of Angels and Gods.

II.

Our Mourning is all at an end,
When rais'd by the Life-giving Word,
We see the New City descend,
Adorn'd as a Bride for her Lord :
The City so holy and clean
No Sorrow can breathe in the Air,
No Gloom of Affliction or Sin,
No Shadow of Evil is there.

III.

By Faith we already behold
That lovely JERUSALEM *here* !
Her Walls are of Jasper and Gold,
As Chystal her Buildings are clear :

Immoveably

Immoveably Founded in *Grace*
 She stands, as she ever hath stood,
 And brightly her Builder displays,
 And flames with the Glory of God.

IV.

No Need of the Sun in that Day
 Which never is follow'd by Night,
 Where JESUS's Beauties display
 A pure and a permanent Light :
 The Lamb is their Light and their Sun,
 And lo ! by Reflexion they shine,
 With JESUS ineffably One,
 And bright in Effulgence Divine.

V.

The Saints in his Presence receive
 Their great and eternal Reward,
 In JESUS, in Heaven, they live,
 They reign in the Smile of their Lord :
 The Flame of Angelical Love
 Is kindled at JESUS's Face,
 And all their Enjoyment above
 Consists in the RAPTUROUS GAZE.

H Y M N IX.

I.

THANKS be to God, whose faithful Love
 Hath call'd Another to his Breast,
 Translated him to Joys above,
 To Mansions of Eternal Rest.

II.

Ripe for the Glorious Harvest made,
 He *first* was sav'd from Inbred Sin ;
 The Angel *then* his Charge obey'd,
 And thrust the Mortal Sickle in.

III.

He the good Fight of Faith hath won,
 He heard with Joy the welcome Word ;
 " Hither come up (thy Work is done)
 " And reign for ever with thy Lord."

IV.

IV.

By Ministerial Sp'rits convey'd,
 Lodg'd in the Garner of the Sky,
 He rests, in *Abraham's* Bosom laid,
 He lives with God, no more to die.

V.

Thanks be to God, thro' Christ alone,
 Who gave our Friend the Victory :
 O Master, say to *me*, Well done !
 May I rejoice to die in Thee.

VI.

Thus may we all our Warfare end,
 In Strugglings to the Upper Skies
 Our last triumphant Moments spend
 And grasp in Death th' Immortal Prize.

VII.

O that we All may thus break thro',
 The Crown with holy Violence seize,
 The Starry Crown to Conquest Due,
 The Crown of Life and Righteousness.

VIII.

Will not the righteous Judge bestow
 The Prize on all who seek Him here,
 And long, while sojourning below,
 To see their much-lov'd Lord appear ?

IX.

He will (our Hearts cry out) He will
 These eager Wishes more than meet,
 These infinite Desires fulfil,
 And make our Happiness compleat.

X.

We all shall see our Life appear,
 (Our hidden Life in *JESUS* found)
 Our Dust th' Archangel's Voice shall hear,
 And kindle at the Trumpet's Sound.

XI.

O what a Soul-o'erpow'ring Thought !
 'Tis Extasy too great to bear !
 We all at once shall be upcaught,
 And meet our *JESUS* in the Air.

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XII.

Eternity stands forth in Sight !
We plunge us in that boundless Sea,
Expatriate in those Plains of Light,
The Regions of Eternity !

XIII.

Ev'n now we taste the heav'nly Powers,
The glorious Joys of Angels prove,
A whole Eternity is Ours,
A whole Eternity of Love !

H Y M N X.

(On the Death of Mrs. A. C.)

I.

AND is the Struggle past,
And hath she groan'd her last ?
Rise, my Soul, and take thy Flight,
Haste, th' Ascending Triumph share,
Trace her to the Plains of Light,
Grasp her happy Spirit there !

II.

I *know* Her now possessest
Of everlasting Rest !
Now I *find* Her lodg'd above,
Now her Heavenly Joy I *feel*,
Extasy of Joy and Love,
Glorious and Unspeakable.

III.

I triumph in Her Bliss ;
The Proof, the Token This !
This my Dying Friend's Bequest,
This, the Answer of her Prayer,
Speaks her entred into Rest,
Tells me I shall meet her there.

IV.

Lord, I accept the Sign,
And bless thy Love Divine :

Thou

Thou hast thro' the Mortal Vale
 Led her to the Realms above,
 Caught her from the Toils of Hell,
 Plac'd her on a Throne of Love.

V.

I, I shall conquer too,
 Like Her shall all break thro' !
 To my Heav'nly Friends convey'd,
 I shall share the Marriage-Feast :
 Pants my Soul on Earth delay'd,
 Gasps for her Eternal Rest.

VI.

Come, O my Saviour, come,
 Receive thy Servant home !
 Now recall thy Banish'd One,
 Draw me from the Tent of Clay :
 Hear'st Thou not thy Spirit's Groan ?
 Come, my Saviour, come away !

VII.

O come, the Spirit cries,
 O come, the Bride replies !
 Thee I call with ev'ry Breath ;
 Let me die to see thy Day,
 Snatch me from this Life of Death ;
 Come, my Saviour, come away !

H Y M N XI.

(On the Death of E. B. of Kingswood.)

I.

REJOICE, ye Sons of Light,
 Over a Saints Deceast !
 The happy Soul hath took its Flight,
 And enter'd into Rest :
 Tost to and fro no more
 On Life's tempestuous Sea,
 The Happy Soul hath reach'd the Shore
 Of Calm Eternity.

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II.

She at the welcome Word
 Is out of Prison fled,
 Releas'd from her Oppressive Lord,
 And free among the Dead:
 The Bloody Husband's Power
 Did with her Breath expire,
 And lo! She lives to die no more
 Amidst yon Angel-Quire.

III.

The Spirits of the Just
 Made perfect *here* in Love,
 With these, and all the Heavenly Host,
 She finds her Place above;
 One with the Saints in Light,
 The Witnesses of God,
 She wash'd her Robes, and made them white
 In the Redeemer's Blood.

IV.

Her Soul was cleans'd below,¹
 And sav'd from Sin's Remains,
 Whiter on Earth than *Salmon's* Snow,
 She now with *JESUS* reigns;
 Long in the Furnace try'd,
 Long in the Vale distress,
 The Lamb at last hath call'd his Bride
 Up to the Marriage-Feast.

V.

With stedfast Faith and Hope
 Let us her Steps pursue,
 Cheerful like Her the Cross take up,
 Like Her the World break thro';
 Like Her our Faith approve,
 And patiently endure,
 And make, by all the Works of Love,
 Our Heavenly Calling sure.

H Y M N XII.

(On the Death of Mrs. F. C.)

I. *Fanny Cooper?*

THANKS be to God alone
Thro' JESUS CHRIST his Son!
He who hath for all obtain'd,
Gives our Friend the Victory;
Sister, Thou the Prize hast gain'd,
Died for Him who died for Thee.

II.

The Mortal Hour is past,
Thou hast o'ercome at last,
Freed from Pain, for ever freed,
Ended is thy glorious Strife,
Death, the latest Foe, is dead,
Death is swallow'd up of Life.

III.

Thy Lamb-like Innocence
Is soon departed hence,
From the World of Sin and Pain
Thou art clean escap'd away,
Sav'd from Sin's infectious Stain,
Taken from the Evil Day.

IV.

Stranger to guilty Fears
Thou liv'd'st thy twenty Years,
From the great Transgression free;
Never did the Poison spread,
JESUS, e'er it rose in Thee,
JESUS crush'd the Serpent's Head.

V.

His Spirit's gentlest Art
Open'd thy Simple Heart,
The eternal Gospel-Word,
Lydia-like Thou didst receive,
Fall before thy Bleeding Lord,
Own Him, and with Ease Believe.

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VI. Soon

VI.

Soon as thy Heart did feel
The Pardon-stamping Seal,
Heard thy Soul the Warning Cry,
" Here Thou hast not long to stay,
" Rise, my Love, make haste to die,
" Rise, my Love, and come away ! "

VII.

Thy chearful Soul obey'd,
Thro' Sufferings perfect made,
Perfect made in a short Space,
Thy resign'd, and Christ-like Soul,
Started forth, and won the Race,
Reach'd at once the glorious Goal.

VIII.

Aloft the Spirit flies,
And gains her native Skies !
Kindred Souls salute her there,
Springing from their azure Throne,
All in Shouts their Joy declare,
All their new-born Sister own.

IX.

Th' angelic Army sings,
And clap their golden Wings !
Harping with their Harps they praise
Him, thro' whom she all o'ercame,
Sharer of his richest Grace,
Closest Follower of the Lamb.

X.

From Love's soft Witchcraft free
Her spotless Purity
Liv'd to only Christ below ;
Higher now she reigns above,
Mightier Joys advanc'd to know,
Honour'd with his choicest Love.

XI.

Among the Morning-stars
A brighter Crown she wears,
With peculiar Glories grac'd,
Seated on a loftier Throne,
To superior Raptures rais'd,
Nearest GOD's eternal Son.

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XII.

Mixt with the Virgin-Train
She charms th' Etherial Plain,
With the Lamb for ever found ;
Angels listen while she sings,
Catch th' inimitable Sound,
Music for the King of Kings.

XIII.

O happy happy Soul,
Thy Heavenly Joy is full !
Thee the Lamb hath made his Bride,
Call'd thee to his Feast above,
Thee he now hath glorified,
Taught thee the new Song of Love.

XIV.

O that at last ev'n I,
Like Thee might sweetly die !
Die, and leave a World of Woe,
Die out of the Reach of Sin,
Die the Joys of Heaven to know ;
Open, Lord, and take me in !

XV.

Give me thy Bliss to share,
The meanest Spirit there,
Only let me see thy Face,
See with Thee my happier Friend,
At an awful Distance gaze,
Taste the Joys that never end.

XVI.

Thou wilt cut short my Years,
And wipe away my Tears :
Lo ! I wait Thy Leisure still,
Humbly at thy Footstool lie,
Calm to suffer all thy Will,
Glad in Thee to live and die.

H Y M N XIII.

I.

WE know, by Faith we know,
 If this vile House of Clay,
 This Tabernacle sink below
 In ruinous Decay,
 We have an House above
 Not made with mortal Hands,
 And firm as our Redeemer's Love
 That Heav'nly Fabrick stands.

II.

It stands securely high,
 Indissolubly sure,
 Our glorious Mansion in the Sky
 Shall evermore endure.
 O were we enter'd there,
 To perfect Heaven restor'd,
 O were we all caught up to share
 The Triumph of our Lord !

III.

Beneath our Earthly Load
 We labour now and groan,
 And hasten tow'rd that House of GOD,
 And struggle to be gone :
 We would not, Lord, desire
 An End of Misery,
 But Thee our earnest Souls require,
 We long to die for Thee.

IV.

For *This* in Faith we call,
 For *This* we weep and pray,
 O might the Tabernacle fall,
 O might we 'scape away !
 Full of Immortal Hope,
 We urge the restless Strife,
 And hasten to be swallow'd up
 Of Everlasting Life.

V.

Absent, alas ! from GOD,
 We in the Body mourn,
 And pine to quit this mean Abode,
 And languish to return :
 JESUS, regard our Vows,
 And change our Faith to Sight,
 And cloath us with our nobler House
 Of Empyrean Light.

VI.

O let us put on Thee
 In perfect Holiness,
 And rise prepar'd thy Face to see,
 Thy bright unclouded Face :
 Thy Grace with Glory crown,
 Who hast the Earnest given,
 And now triumphantly come down
 And take our Souls to Heaven.

H Y M N XIV.

I.

JESUS, come ! Our utmost JESUS,
 Save us from the World beneath,
 From a Life of Pain release us,
 From a Life of daily Death :
 Listen to the ceaseless Moaning
 Of thy plaintive Turtle Dove ;
 Answer, Lord, thy Spirit's Groaning,
 Take us to the Church above.

II.

Many a Soul is lodg'd before us
 In the Garner of the Grave :
 JESUS, come ! to Life restore us,
 Us from all our Troubles save,
 Us in infinite Compassion
 To our happier Friends unite,
 Raise us to our highest Station,
 Rank us with thy Saints in Light.

III.

III.

Still we bear about thy Dying
 In our feeble Bodies here,
 Languishing for Thee, and crying
 Light of Life in us appear,
 Take us to thy kind Embraces,
 To thy Heavenly Banquet lead ;
 Wipe the Sorrow from our Faces,
 Set the Crown upon our Head.

H Y M N XV.

I.

H O S A N N A H to God
 In his highest Abode ;
 All Heaven be join'd,
 To extol the Redeemer and Friend of Mankind !
 He claims all our Praise,
 Who in infinite Grace
 Again hath stoop'd down,
 And caught up a Worm to inherit a Crown.

II.

Our Partner below,
 Our Brother in Woe,
 From his Sorrow and Pain
 He hath call'd to the Pleasures that alway remain ;
 He hath snatch'd him away
 From a Cottage of Clay
 To a Kingdom above,
 A Kingdom of Glory, and Gladness, and Love.

III.

Our Friend is restor'd
 To the Joy of his Lord,
 With Triumph departs,
 But speaks by his Death to our Ecchoing Hearts :
Follow after, He cries,
 As He mounts to the Skies,
 Follow after your Friend,
 To the blissful Enjoyments that never shall end.

V. And

IV.

And shall we not press
To that Harbour of Peace,
That Heavenly Shore,
Where Sorrow, and Parting, and Death are no more :
Our Brother pursue,
And fight our Way thro'
In the Strength of our Lord,
Follow on, till we seize the Eternal Reward ?

V.

Thro' JESUS's Name
Our Comrade o'ercame,
And JESUS is ours,
And arms us with all his invincible Pow'rs :
He looks from the Skies,
He shews us the Prize,
And gives us a Sign,
That ~~We~~ shall o'ercome by the Mercy Divine.

VI.

The Saviour of all
For us He shall call,—
Shall shortly appear,
Our Day of Eternal Salvation is near.
We too shall remove
To our City above,
On Mortals look down,
Triumphant Assessors of JESUS's Throne.

VII.

For us is prepar'd
Th' Angelical Guard,
The Convoy attends,
A ministring Host of invisible Friends ;
Ready wing'd for their Flight
To the Regions of Light
The Horses are come,
The Chariot of Israel to carry Us home.

VIII.

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They soon shall convey
 Our Spirits away,
 Our Spirits that groan
 And cry for Redemption, and long to be gone.
 By the Cross we endure
 We shall make the Crown sure,
 By a Moment of Pain
 We all shall a joyful Eternity gain.

H Y M N XVI.

I.

HAppy who in JESUS live,
 But happier still are they
 Who to GOD their Spirits give,
 And 'scape from Earth away :
 LORD, Thou read'st the panting Heart,
 LORD, Thou hear'st the praying Sigh:
 O 'tis better to depart,
 'Tis better far to die !

II.

Yet if so thy Will ordain,
 For our Companion's Good,
 Let us in the Flesh remain,
 And meekly bear the Load :
 When we have our Grief fill'd up,
 When we all our Work have done,
 Late Partakers of our Hope,
 And Sharers of thy Throne.

III.

To thy wise and gracious Will
 We quietly submit,
 Waiting for Redemption still,
 But waiting at thy Feet:
 When Thou wilt the Blessing give,
 Call us up thy Face to see,
 Only let thy Servants live,
 And let us die to Thee.

